

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020

*Today we worship as one congregation in two locations: in-person and via the internet.
Wherever your location, we encourage you to pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.
Quiet your mind, listen to the voluntary, and prepare to worship God.*

For those worshipping in the sanctuary, we deeply desire this time to be meaningful yet safe.
Please, *silently* offer hymns, prayers, and responses as worshipful reflection.
Allow these offerings to provide voice for your faith and echo your prayers.
Thank you for your quiet participation, understanding, and cooperative efforts.
For those worshipping elsewhere, sing and speak boldly. Give voice for all of us!

Voluntaries *Pastorale on Psalm 23, Vs. 1* Percy Whitlock
The King of Love My Shepherd Is Settings by C.V. Stanford and Dale Wood

Welcome, Invocation, and Our Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Parent-Child-Church Dedication Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze
See insert Sandy Rooney

Hymn *These Treasured Children Present Now* PUER NOBIS
In silent reflection Text by Jacque B. Jones

1. These treasured children present now,
are bound to us by sacred vow;
with love, we make a heartfelt claim
to welcome them in Jesus' name.
2. Come, Holy Spirit help us be
a nurturing community.
Empower us to realize
God's kingdom through our children's eyes.
3. Then, tender God, each child embrace,
God give them blessings, grant them grace.
Surprise them, God, with wonders still,
and gently guide them to your will.

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 23 Sandy Rooney

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**Please stand if you are able.*

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 4:1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

Solo

The God of Love My Shepherd Is

Eric Thiman

Seth Roberts, baritone

Pastoral Prayer

Sandy Rooney

*Offertory Sentences and Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

In silent reflection

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sermon

A Psalm About Life

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Hymn

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION

In silent reflection

1. My shepherd will supply my need;
Jehovah is his name:
in pastures fresh he makes me feed,
beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back,
when I forsake his ways;
and leads me, for his mercy's sake,
in paths of truth and grace.
2. When I walk through the shades of death
your presence is my stay;
one word of your supporting breath
drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes,
does still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows,
your oil anoints my head.
3. The sure provisions of my God
attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode,
and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
while others go and come;
no more a stranger, or a guest,
but like a child at home.

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Voluntary

Pastorella in C major

František Xaver Brixl

*Please remain seated for the Voluntary and depart as you are guided by ushers,
from the rear to the front of the sanctuary.*

Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Linda Wentzel by Frank Wentzel.

Congratulations to Sara and Jack Heisler and to their friends Kate and Lyle upon the birth of Abigail Louise on September 29. From Sara: “We wanted to provide an update for those of you who know the journey we have been on for the past year helping our dear friends realize their 8-year dream of becoming parents. Sara delivered Abigail Louise on September 29, and she is perfect in every way. Her parents are over the moon in love and we have a beautiful new goddaughter. There aren’t words to describe how it feels to see Kate and Lyle with Abigail. We want to thank all of you for your prayers and well wishes—they meant so much to us!”

Christian sympathy is extended to Jan Yount and Kristy Yount upon the death of their mother Marjorie Yount on October 4.

We are grateful for your continued generosity to God through our church ministry. You may give securely online at www.rrcb.org/give-online or by mailing a check. Thank you for your faithfulness. This QR code will take you to our giving page.



In-person worship reservations are available at rrcb.org/reservations. To watch Dr. Glaze’s re-entry video, please visit rrcb.org/live.

- Sun, Oct 11 **Re-entry Task Force**, 4:00 p.m., Assembly Room and Zoom Meeting (Online)
Youth Choir, 4:15 p.m., Plaza, in front of the Fellowship Hall
Cookies & Games with Ms. Sandy, 5:00 p.m., Children’s Playground
Youth Group, 5:00 p.m., South Parking Lot
Robert Smart Sunday School Class, 5:00 p.m., North Parking Lot
- Wed, Oct 14 **Men’s Group: The Huddle**, 8:00 a.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
Driveway Dinners for Children, 5:30 p.m., Off-site
Driveway Visits with Marnie & Beth, 5:30 p.m., Off-site
TFC-Adults: Prejudice in the Church Session 2, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
- Thurs, Oct 15 **CARITAS Dessert Drop Off**, 5:00 p.m., North Parking Lot
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
- Sun, Oct 18 **Life Sunday School Class**, 9:45 a.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
Faith Walk Sunday School Class, 10:00 a.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
New Horizons Sunday School Class, 10:00 a.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and Online Broadcast
Shepherd-Holland Sunday School Class, 2:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
Churchwide Drive-Thru Fall Festival, 3:00 p.m., North Parking Lot

Extend Hope & Hospitality
CBF Global Missions Offering
September 23-October 25, 2020

When you give to the Offering for Global Missions, you help plant new churches and share the hope of Christ with people who have never heard the Gospel. Your contribution will support the ministry of field personnel like Janée Angel and her husband, Hary. Janée and Hary started a new ministry center for Syrian refugees in Antwerp. Many Syrians and other Arabic-speaking people have never heard the message and hope of Jesus Christ. Your gift will help continue this life-changing ministry that offers worship services, Bible study for all ages, food and fellowship, language classes and more. 100% of your gift to the Offering will support CBF Field Personnel serving in the U.S. and around the world. You may make donations online at rrcb.org/give-online (select “Global Missions” for the fund) or mail a check to the church office with “Global Missions Offering” in the memo.

TFC-Adults: Prejudice in the Church with Rev. Dr. Valerie Carter (WMUV) Session 2

Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00PM on Zoom

If there is one place prejudice of any kind should not exist, it is within the church of Christ. Yet over the centuries, the church has been in the thick of supporting and perpetuating discrimination and exploitation. The only way to make our journey forward in a healthy, whole way is to grapple with the role the church has played and still plays in this ongoing problem.

Dr. Carter, who is currently the Executive Director/Treasurer for the Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV), works to inspire, equip, and help mobilize others through various ministries, many of which care for the needs of the vulnerable, outcast, unlearned, and marginalized. She will lead us from her study and experiences as we dive into a deep conversation about prejudice in the church in the past and present.

Register for session 2 to receive more information and the Zoom link at rrcb.org/tfccarter. If you are unable to attend, the program will be available for viewing and/or listening at rrcb.org/tfc-archive.

Desserts for CARITAS—Dessert Drop Off

Thursday, October 15, 5:00-7:00PM in the North Parking Lot/Lower Commons Entrance

As we will be 'contactless' this year due to COVID, our dinner and desserts for CARITAS will be dropped off for the men to serve themselves. A church member has graciously volunteered to make dinner for the men, but we would love to have 15 volunteers to make one dessert each so there is lots of variety. Please sign up at rrcb.org/caritas to provide a cake, brownies, or dessert bars (something that transports easily and doesn't require a freezer). As the men have cookies in their lunches, we are hoping to provide them with other tasty desserts for dinner.

Churchwide Drive-Thru Fall Festival

Sunday, October 18, 3:00-4:00PM in the North Parking Lot

Swing thru the church parking lot for intergenerational fall goodies, greet and see ministers, and to bring items for the Oregon Hill Thanksgiving Boxes. An entrance and exit will be marked off of Ridge Road. Please stay in your vehicle and follow the path marked. Sign ups are not mandatory, but are helpful when planning—sign up at rrcb.org/fallfest. We can't wait to see you!

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, November 6, 10:00AM-3:00PM, Fellowship Hall

During this uncertain time, the Red Cross is encouraging individuals to keep scheduled blood donation appointments and to make new appointments for the weeks ahead to ensure a stable supply throughout this pandemic. There is no known end date in this fight against coronavirus, and the Red Cross needs the help of blood and platelet donors and blood drive hosts to maintain a sufficient blood supply for weeks to come. It's important to remember that blood is perishable and cannot be stockpiled. The Red Cross is still offering free antibody testing for their donors. Please consider donating blood with River Road Church on November 6. The blood drive will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Donations are by appointment only; no walk-ins. For more information on safety procedures and to register, please visit rrcb.org/blooddrive.

Parent-Child-Church Dedication

Thomas Penn Clark
and his parents, Suzanne and Austin

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart.

—Jeremiah 29:11-13

George Edward Hjelle
and his parents, Caroline and Sean

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

—Numbers 6:24-26

Litany of Dedication

Sandy Rooney

Minister: As the family of God, we rejoice in God's good gift of life through the birth of a child, and all that the child represents to their family and to our church family.

These parents have come to affirm that their child is made in the image of God, giving thanks that they are children of God. Committing themselves to the faith and tradition in which they intend to nurture their child, and seeking the prayers and support of the church for this pursuit, they have come.

Parents, you are called by God to be on mission with the Lord, rearing your child in the Christian faith. Recognizing this high calling, do you commit to live out your own faith, teach this faith to your child, and partner with the Church as you serve God in this mission?

Parents: We promise with God's help, and with the help of our Christian family.

Congregation please stand in a show of support and commitment to promises being made.

Minister: The members of the congregation at River Road Church promise as a community of faith to surround these families with our love, to be for these parents and children a family in Christ, to accept them into our loving care, and to tell them the good news of Christ, leading them in service to God and neighbor. We will pray for, uphold, and encourage them to continue to grow in God's grace and love.

Together, with God's help, we gladly join you—Suzanne, Austin, Caroline, and Sean—in this sacred covenant. We take these children—George and Penn—under our care. We promise to care for and nurture these children, accepting them as our own. Your concerns will be our concerns. Your joys will be our joys. May God bless these children and their parents, and may God bless our congregation and this world. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze